

Dear Dr. William Stokes,

It has come to my attention that a recent workshop held by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, addressed the feasibility of replacing animal tests completely with in-vitro cell culture tests and that scientists at the NIEHS workshop have agreed to a partial implementation of in vitro testing, to set a "starting dose" for the lethal poisoning tests, which would have the effect of further reducing the number of animals in the tests.

I am asking you to begin efforts to completely replace lethal dose testing with non-animal, in vitro testing methods. These tests have proven to be effective and will eliminate great suffering.

Sincerely,
Christina Fong